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Mr. Greg Holmes, Unit Chief
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February 11, 1998

Dear Mr. Holmes:

**SUBJECT: CONTINENTAL HEAT TREAT, 10643 S. NORWALK BOULEVARD,
SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA 90670**

**"JALK FEE" MOBILE LEASE SITE, IMMEDIATELY NORTH OF THE
CONTINENTAL HEAT TREAT SITE, SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA 90670**

The Santa Fe Springs Fire Department (SFSFD) has completed a preliminary review of data regarding both of the subject sites. Based on this review, the SFSFD has determined that halogenated volatile organic compound (HVOC) and other contamination is present on both of these sites, either in or constituting a significant threat to groundwater, as well as at levels exceeding soil contamination action levels. Cross-parcel soil contamination from the Jalk Fee site appears likely.

There appears to be a need for further assessment to determine the lateral and vertical extent of the contamination. Also, HVOC contamination above the MCL's in microgram quantities is demonstrated in groundwater beneath the Continental Heat Treat facility likely due to historic releases from a former degreasing tank.

In a recent telephone conversation, Steve Chase of the SFSFD discussed these sites with Mr. Joe Cully of your staff, and advised him that referral of these sites to your agency appeared to be appropriate. The sites have also been discussed with a representative of the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board.

Based on our review of the known data, the SFSFD is therefore referring these sites to your agency for appropriate action. The SFSFD finds reason for great concern regarding actual and potential groundwater threats and high levels of soil contamination posing a potential threat to public health of the citizens of City of Santa Fe Springs as well as in the larger community and asks that your agency expedite all necessary corrective action.

The SFSFD has enclosed a summary of the known data for your convenience, and requests that you keep this agency informed of your actions at these sites.

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Should you have any questions about this matter, please contact Steve Chase of this office. He can be reached at (562) 944-9713.

Sincerely,

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Director of Environmental Services

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